



SIGURD ANDERSON  
GOVERNOR

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## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, South Dakota's hardy frontiersmen brought to this productive state the nucleus of a great agriculture empire destined to play an important role in the economy of the nation; and

WHEREAS, the states wide diversity of soil, climate and terrain have made it eminently adapted to agricultural pursuits; and

WHEREAS, soil and water play an ever increasing role in our agricultural and industrial activities, and their conservation and wise use contribute materially to the welfare of the people of the state; and

WHEREAS, it is of paramount importance that we conserve our soil and water resources so that the future generations as well as we may enjoy the benefits of their blessings; and

WHEREAS, the fifty-five organized soil conservation districts contain more than two-thirds of the crop land of the state and more than two-thirds of the farmers live within the boundaries of the districts; and

WHEREAS, it is the primary responsibility of the soil conservation districts through their supervisors to exercise guardianship over the protection of the farm and grazing lands of the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sigurd Anderson, Governor, of the State of South Dakota, do hereby designate the week of October 6-11, 1962, as

### SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT WEEK

in South Dakota, and hereby call upon all South Dakotans to cooperate with the Soil Conservation Districts in the various soil conservation and kindred programs during that period, to the end that we all may become conservation conscious and impressed with the vital necessity of preserving this priceless heritage for future generations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 2nd day of October, 1962.

SIGURD ANDERSON

Governor

ATTEST:

MARGARET L. JENSEN

Secretary of State

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